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## **ELECTRONIC MAIL MEMO**

July 21, 2004

To: Director, Fish and Wildlife Service {Lead}

Director, Geological Survey

Director, Minerals Management Service

Director, National Park Service

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management

Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

Subject: Review of Amendment 11 to the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for the Pelagic

Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region; Measure to Limit Pelagic Longline Fishing Effort in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) around American Samoa (ER 04/536)(Agency due date: August 18, 2004)

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has requested the Department to review Amendment 11 to the (FMP) for the Pelagic Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region, a Measure to Limit Pelagic Longline Fishing Effort in the EEZ around American Samoa. Amendment 11 is available at the following website: <a href="http://wpcouncil.org">http://wpcouncil.org</a>.

Please review the document from your particular jurisdiction and/or special expertise, and provide your comments to the Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, in Portland, Oregon by **August 9, 2004**.

The Regional Director, FWS, will prepare and sign any Departmental comment, including "no comments," so as to arrive at NMFS by **August 13, 2004**. If there are intra-Departmental conflicts, the Regional Director will request the Regional Environmental Officer in Oakland, California, to assist in their resolution. It is also requested that this office be furnished a copy of the comments.

<u>Please supply all signed paper comments, comments on disk, or comments being submitted</u> electronically to the RD, FWS.

/s/ 7/21/04 Kenneth J. Havran for Vijai N. Rai

cc: Assistant Secretaries

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